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Attention: Ms. Sue Kiser

Attention: Mr. Ray Sukys

Dear Ms. Kiser and Mr. Sukys:

With this letter, I am transmitting the following amendment of California's 2002/03-2004/05 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). This amendment includes programming modifications to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) portion of the state and applies specifically to Kings County.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	<b>Transit Element</b>

- Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Program: Adds two projects in Kings County. The amendment programs a total of \$2,000,000 for "KCAPTA – FTA 5311 Operating Assistance (MPO ID: FTA-5311A)" project for the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) in Fiscal Year (FY) 2002/03. The amendment also programs a total of \$800,000 for "Corcoran Transit – FTA 5311 Operating Assistance (MPO ID: FTA-5311B)" project for the City of Corcoran in FY 2002/03. See enclosure.

The updated programming is for project types within Table 2 - Exempt Projects, of 40 CFR § 93.126 that are exempt from the conformity determination requirement. Therefore, this amendment is consistent with the State Implementation Plan. The financial impacts of this amendment are compatible with anticipated revenues in the FSTIP Financial Plan and do not significantly affect the overall financial analysis. In accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding between the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) and the Council of Fresno County Governments (COFCG), the COFCG makes the finding of air quality conformity for Kings County. Documentation from the COFCG that satisfies this

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requirement is enclosed. These projects are included and submitted by KCAG through the California Transportation Improvement Program System (CTIPS).

In accordance with existing law, public involvement procedures are a part of the project selection process. This amendment was prepared under that process permitting citizens, affected local agencies and other public agencies, and other interested parties reasonable opportunity for comment.

Please address any questions on this FSTIP approval request to Abhijit Bagde of my staff at (916) 654-3638.

Sincerely,

**ORIGINAL SIGNED BY**

JIM NICHOLAS  
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Enclosures

- c: Karina O'Connor - EPA Office of Air Planning (w/enclosure)
- William Zummwalt - Kings County Association of Governments
- Terry King - Kings County Association of Governments
- Abhijit Bagde - Caltrans
  
- bc: SCurti - D 6 (Planning)
- HBuu - Federal Aid (w/enclosures)
- DAnbiah - Local Assistance
- WEmmett - Local Assistance (w/enclosures)
- KBalaji - Federal Programming
- JNicholas
- Programming Files